PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION OF SOUTH CAROLINA

DOCKETING DEPARTMENT

NOTICE OF FILING

DOCKET NO. 2005-329-W/S

APPLICATION OF CAROLINA WATER SERVICE, INCORPORATED FOR APPROVAL OF A CONTRACT WITH ASHWORTH DEVELOPMENT COMPANY AND HITCHENS DEVELOPMENT COMPANY d/b/a HERON COVE JOINT VENTURE

Carolina Water Service, Inc. ("Applicant" or "Utility") has filed with the Public Service Commission of South Carolina under 26 S. C. Code Ann. Regs. 103-541 and 103-743 (Supp. 2004) an application for approval of a contract between it and Ashworth Development Company and Hitchens Development Company d/b/a Heron Cove Joint Venture.

The Applicant is a public utility currently authorized to operate water and wastewater systems under the jurisdiction of the Commission in York County, as well as certain other counties in the State.

The Utility's River Hills System will serve the proposed development, which will consist of approximately sixty-six (66) residential units. The Agreement provides, inter alia, that the Developer will construct and install all of the necessary water and sewer facilities ("Facilities") required to connect the proposed development to Utility's River Hills System, acquire all necessary easements and rights-of-way ("Easements") and convey such Facilities, with the exception of certain Facilities serving approximately fifteen (15) lots, and Easements to Applicant.

According to the Application, the proposed development is within Applicant's Commission authorized Service Area in York County and the area franchised to Applicant by York County. No other public or governmental utility is currently authorized to serve the proposed development.

A copy of the Company's Application can be obtained from the Commission at the following address: Public Service Commission of South Carolina, Docketing Department, 101 Executive Center Drive, Columbia, South Carolina 29210. Additionally, the Application is available on the Commission's website at www.psc.sc.gov and is available from John M. S. Hoefer, Willoughby & Hoefer, P.A., 1022 Calhoun Street, Suite 302, Post Office Box 8416, Columbia, South Carolina 29202-8416.

A public hearing, if scheduled, will be held in the Commission's Hearing Room, Synergy Business Park, Saluda Building, 101 Executive Center Drive, Columbia, South Carolina, for the purpose of receiving testimony and other evidence from all interested parties regarding this Application. The time and date of this hearing will be furnished to all interested parties at a later date.

Any person who wishes to participate in this matter, as a party of record with the right of cross-examination should file a Petition to Intervene in accordance with the Commission's Rules of Practice and Procedure on or before **December 1, 2005,** and indicate the amount of time required for his presentation. Please include an email address for receipt of future Commission correspondence in the Petition to Intervene. *Please refer to Docket No. 2005-329-W/S*.

Any person who wishes to testify and present evidence at the hearing, if scheduled, should notify the Docketing Department in writing at the address below, Office of Regulatory Staff, Post Office Box 11263, Columbia, South Carolina 29211 and John M. S. Hoefer, Esquire, at the above address, on or before **December 1, 2005,** and indicate the amount of time required for his presentation. *Please refer to Docket No. 2005-329-W/S*.

Any person who wishes to be notified of the hearing, but does not wish to present testimony or be a party of record, may do so by notifying the Docketing Department in writing at the address below on or before **December 1, 2005**. *Please refer to Docket No. 2005-329-W/S*.

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PLEASE TAKE NOTICE: Any person who wishes to have his or her comments considered as part of the official record of this proceeding <u>MUST</u> present such comments, in person, to the Commission during the hearing.

Persons seeking information about the Commission's Procedures should contact the Commission at (803) 896-5100.

Public Service Commission of South Carolina Attn: Docketing Department Post Office Drawer 11649 Columbia, South Carolina 29211

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